

# GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

## A B S T R A C T

PUBLIC SERVICES – PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT – **Allegation** of corruption of demand and acceptance of bribe by Sri Basati Venkateswarlu @ Venkateswara Rao, Extension Officer, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, Office of the Mandal Parishad Development Officer, Tiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District – Trapped on 01-03-2008 – Sanction of Prosecution – Orders – Issued.

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### PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (Vig.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 7

Dated:- 12-01-2009.

### O R D E R:-

1. WHEREAS, **Sri Basati Venkateswarlu @ Venkateswara Rao**, Extension Officer, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, Office of the Mandal Parishad Development Officer, Tiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District from 26.5.2006 to 01.03.2008 and by virtue of the post held by him he falls under the category of Public Servant as defined under clause (c) of section 2 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988;

2. AND WHEREAS, Sri Modugu Venkati, S/o Late Appaiah is a resident of Kommireddypalli Village, Tiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District and working as an Agricultural coolie;

3. **AND WHEREAS**, it is alleged that as Modugu Venkati belongs to S.C. community. The Government sanctioned houses under Indiramma Pathakam Scheme to his wife Smt.Modugu Papamma, his mother, Modugu Chukkamma, his sister Banka Essamma and his mother-in-law Banka Nagamma. Further, they submitted the possession certificates along with Bank account numbers to the Mandal Work Inspector Sri Yadar in the month of March, 2007 and started construction of houses. The Government sanctioned 10 bags of cement to each of them for first stage. Further, the Government has to issue 10 bags of cement and Rs. 2,000/- to the each beneficiary. The E.O.(PR&RD) has to inspect the under- construction houses and to recommend for the second bill to them. For, that Modugu Venkati and his brother-in-law Banka Venkati met Sri Basati Venkateswarlu, E.O.(PR&RD) several times and requested him to inspect the under-construction houses and to recommend for the second stage bill to them. Sri Basati Venkateswarlu demanded Rs.1,000/- from them for their four houses as bribe. Again on 23-02-2008 at about 2.00 P.M., they met Sri Basati Venkateswarlu at his residence and requested him to recommend for the second stage bill for their under construction houses, Sri Basati Venkateswarlu demanded Rs. 250/- per each house amounting to Rs. 1,000/- for four houses as bribe and promised to recommend to their houses for second stage bill and to look after upto the sanction of second stage bill. Though they expressed their inability to pay the demanded bribe amount Sri Basati Venkateswarlu did not heed their request and reiterated his demand. As there was no other alternative, Modugu Venkati unwillingly agreed to pay the bribe amount to Sri Basati Venkateswarlu and as he was not willing to pay the bribe amount of Rs. 1,000/- to Sri Basati Venkateswarlu he approached the Anti-Corruption Bureau officials for taking necessary action against Sri Basati Venkateswarlu. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Vijayawada Range registered a case in Cr.No. 04/RCT-ACB-VJA/ 2008 u/s 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 on 1-3-2008 at 10-15 A.M. after due verification;

**4. AND WHEREAS**, on 1-3-2008 at about 4-15 PM., Modugu Venkati alongwith his wife and aunt met Sri B.Venkateswarlu in his chamber on seeing them, Sri B.Venkateswarlu reiterated his earlier demand. On that Sri M. Venkateswarlu, took out the tainted amount and his wife passed the same to Sri B. Venkateswarlu, who accepted the same with his right hand, counted and kept in his left side upper shirt pocket. When the Deputy Superintendent of Police got Sodium Carbonate solution tests conducted on both hand fingers of Sri Basati Venkateswarlu, it proved positive. The tainted currency notes of Rs. 1,000/- were seized from the left side upper shirt pocket of Sri B.Venkateswarlu. The Deputy Superintendent of Police conducted Sodium Carbonate solution test on the inner linings of the upper left side shirt pocket also and the Sodium Carbonate solution turned into pink colour. The Deputy Superintendent of Police seized the tainted amount of Rs. 1,000/- and white colour half sleeves shirt also for the purpose of further investigation;

**5. AND WHEREAS**, the above said acts Sri Basati Venkateswarlu @ Venkateswara Rao, Extension Officer, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, Office of the Mandal Parishad Development Officer, Tiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District constitute offences punishable under section 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read with clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988;

**6. AND WHEREAS**, the Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Sri Basati Venkateswarlu @ Venkateswara Rao, Extension Officer, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, Office of the Mandal Parishad Development Officer, Tiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District from service after fully and carefully examining the material placed before them in respect of the afore said acts and having regard to the circumstances of the case consider that Sri Basati Venkateswarlu @ Venkateswara Rao, Extension Officer, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, Office of the Mandal Parishad Development Officer, Tiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District should be prosecuted in a court of Law;

**7. NOW, THEREFORE**, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 the Government hereby accord sanction for prosecution of Sri Basati Venkateswarlu @ Venkateswara Rao, Extension Officer, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, Office of the Mandal Parishad Development Officer, Tiruvuru Mandal, Krishna District for the above said offences punishable under section 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read with clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and for any other cognate offence punishable under any other provision of Law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**(Smt. CHITRA RAMCHANDRA)  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

**To**  
The Director-General  
Anti-corruption Bureau,  
Hyderabad.